

Award to Police Officers.

* 79. [16] SHRI T. S. RAMASWAMI: Will the Minister for Home be pleased to state:

(a) whether award, reward, promotion or increments were given to the police officers or men in connection with the incidents of August 1954 in South Travancore;

(b) if so, the nature of these and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the dates of these?

SHRI T. S. RAMASWAMI: Part of the question has been answered. I want answer for part c. May I know whether they were given after the assurance given by the Chief Minister or before?

Home Minister (SHRI A. J. JOHN): Mr. Gopalan was given the award on 28-1-1955. Other officers were given the award on 31-3-1955.

SHRI T. S. RAMASWAMI: There was an assurance given that an enquiry will be conducted regarding the atrocities of the Police, by the Chief Minister himself. May I know whether such an enquiry was conducted; If not why?

SHRI A. J. JOHN: As the complaints were withdrawn, Government thought that there was no need for conducting an enquiry. Therefore they were given the award.

SHRI A. THANU PILLAI: Since the question of police excesses was raised here, I wish to know whether the complainant has given in writing that the charges need not be enquired into. Was it an oral representation or was it in writing?

SHRI PANAMPILLI GOVINDA MENON: It is in writing.

SHRI A. THANU PILLAI: May I know the grounds on which Government decided like that?

SHRI PANAMPILLI GOVINDA MENON: Government stated that no general enquiry was possible and that if there were specific grounds against individuals, then an enquiry would be conducted. A few such complaints were received. Subsequently a letter was received that they need not be proceeded with.

SHRI A. THANU PILLAI: May I know from whom was the letter received?

SHRI PANAMPILLI GOVINDA MENON: From the person who presented the complaint.

SHRI A. THANU PILLAI: Was it an individual complaint or a joint complaint?

SHRI PANAMPILLI GOVINDA MENON: A few individual complaints were collected by a certain person and presented to me.

SHRI A. THANU PILLAI: May I know the person who presented the complaint?

SHRI PANAMPILLI GOVINDA MENON: That person was Mr. A. Nesamony.

SHRI A. THANU PILLAI: So it was not a member of the House. What was the ground on which he stated that the enquiry need not be made?

SHRI PANAMPILLI GOVINDA MENON: I want notice because that paper is not with me now.

SHRI A. THANU PILLAI: Was it not that the charges made with a view to expedite the withdrawal of the cases, which had been already promised by Government?

SHRI PANAMPILLI GOVINDA MENON: It is not so.

ശ്രീ. ടി. കെ. ദിവാകരൻ: സർ, ഈ പരാതിക്കാർ പലരുമുണ്ടായിരുന്നല്ലോ. ആ പരാതികൾ എല്ലാം പിൻവലിക്കാൻ വേണ്ടിയുള്ള അവകാശം മിസ്റ്റർ നേശമണിക്കുണ്ടായിരുന്നോ?

ശ്രീ. പനമ്പിള്ളി ഗോവിന്ദമേനോൻ: ഒരു കടലാസ് തന്നിരുന്നു. അതു തന്നിരുന്ന ആൾ അതു മടക്കി വാങ്ങി.

ശ്രീ. ടി. കെ. ദിവാകരൻ: പലരും പരാതികൾ തന്നില്ലേ?

ശ്രീ. പനമ്പിള്ളി ഗോവിന്ദമേനോൻ: അതെല്ലാംകൂടി കളക്ടർ ചെയ്തു കൊണ്ടുതന്നെ. അതു മടക്കി വാങ്ങി.

ശ്രീ. ടി. കെ. ദിവാകരൻ: അപ്പോൾ ഒരു പോസ്റ്റ് വൺ കററ കടലാസുകൾ കൊണ്ടുവന്നു തന്നിട്ടു എഴുത്തുകൾ മടക്കി വാങ്ങണമെന്നു പറഞ്ഞാൽ കൊടുക്കുമോ? ഈ പരാതികൾ എല്ലാംകൂടി മിസ്റ്റർ നേശമണി കൊണ്ടുവന്നു തന്നത് എല്ലാം മടക്കിവാങ്ങി എന്നാണോ പറയുന്നത്.

ശ്രീ. പനമ്പിള്ളി ഗോവിന്ദമേനോൻ: ആ ഉപമ ശരിയല്ല.

ശ്രീ. എ. കുഞ്ഞൻ നാടാർ: മിനഞ്ഞാന്ന് ഈ നിയമസഭാ ഹാളിൽ നമുവിൽ തൊഴിലുടികളുടെ തല തല്ലി പൊളിച്ചതും, മിസ്റ്റർ പട്ടം താണുപിള്ള ഇങ്ങോട്ടു വരുന്ന അവസരത്തിൽ ഈ കിഴവന്റെ മണ്ടയ്ക്കു രണ്ടടി അടിക്കണമെന്നു പറയുന്നതും.....

MR. SPEAKER: I disallow the question, because it is irrelevant.

SHRI N. RAGHAVA KURUP: Who were the persons, who made the complaints?

SHRI PANAMPILLI GOVINDA MENON: I do not remember the names.

SHRI N. RAGHAVA KURUP: What were the charges in the complaint?

SHRI PANAMPILLI GOVINDA MENON: I do not remember them now.

SHRI N. RAGHAVA KURUP: Against whom were the complaints made?

SHRI PANAMPILLI GOVINDA MENON: That too I do not remember.

SHRI N. RAGHAVA KURUP: Were they against Police Officers?

SHRI PANAMPILLI GOVINDA MENON: Some of them were.

SHRI N. RAGHAVA KURUP: Who were those Officers?

SHRI PANAMPILLI GOVINDA MENON: I do not remember those names.

SHRI N. RAGHAVA KURUP: Were not all those matters verified?

(No answer)

Police excesses in Devicolam.

* 80. [17]† SHRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR: will the Home Minister be pleased to state :

(a) whether anybody has been appointed to enquire into the alleged police excesses in Devicolam Taluk and in South Travancore after the 11th August 1954 firings;

(b) if so, the names of the personnel who are conducting the enquiry ; and

(c) if the enquiry is complete, what are its findings ?

Home Minister (SHRI A. J. JOHN):

(a) No.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

വില്ലേജുകോടതികൾ.

* 81. [20] ശ്രീ. യു. നീലകണ്ഠൻ : താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്ക് തദ്ദേശസ്വയംഭരണ വകുപ്പുമന്ത്രി സദയം മറുപടി പറയുമോ :

(എ) സംസ്ഥാനത്ത് 1955-56-ൽ പുതുതായി സ്ഥാപിച്ച വില്ലേജുകോടതികൾ എത്ര; സെൻറർ മാറ്റി സ്ഥാപിച്ച വില്ലേജുകോടതികൾ എത്ര;

† As the member was absent, the question was put by Shri T. S. Ramaswami, with the permission of the Chair.

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